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NE V YORK, MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1889.

FIVE GANGS TO-DAY.

Reinforcement of Commissioner Gilroy's Army of Wire and Pole-Choppers.

Companies Trying Vainly to Save Their Circuits.

Forty Thousand Feet of Death-Leaking Wire Removed.

There was a temporary hitch this morning in the electric wire-cutting and pole-chopping campaign, but it was only because Commissioner Gilroy is a careful man, and wanted to be perfectly sure that the contractors and inspectors were doing their duty faithfully.

The inspectors and their squads were all at their posts at 9 o'clock this morning and preparing to go on with the work where they left off yesterday when messengers from Supt. Cummings, of the Bureau of Incumbrances, brought word that Commissioner Gilroy wanted to see all the inspectors and contractors at his office at 10 o'clock.

All the men quit work immediately and repaired to the Commissioner's office. These were Inspectors Roth, Reilly, Fitzpatrick and Schwartz, and the two new men. Brown and Gavan, who are in charge of the two gangs which have been organized to remove the dangerous whree and poles in the an-nexed district, also Contractors Hess and ELECTRICAL COMPANIES RICKING.

Commissioner Gilroy had been informed by the representatives of the electric light companies that his men had been destroying good wires and cutting down poles which in no way violated the rules of the Board of Electrical Control, and he simply wanted to find out if this was so.

After a long conference with the inspectors he was perfectly satisfied that the work had been done so far conscientiously and that no property had been wilfully or recklessly destroyed, and the gangs were sent out again to resume work in carnest.

BEARTING OUT AGAIN.

Inspector Roth at once started for his route on Broadway, and tackled the poles and wires on the east side of the street, beginning at Walker street. The lines of poles at that point are all to be taken down in accordance with Rule 1 of the Board's regulations, which provides that "No two lines of poles bearing conductors of a like class or character shall be erected in any one street or avenue."

Those poles have thirteen electric wires strung upon them, four of which belong to the Manhattan Company and the remainder to the Brush Company. There is a subway aiready completed on that side of Broadway for electric-light wires.

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Broadway now looks very respectable from Chambers to Walker street, and by to-night the work will probably be completed as far as Spring street.

Squads of men were engaged all the morning removing the poles which had been cut down yesterday and looking out for the debris which resulted from to-day's work. Inspector, heath supects to have 40,000 feet of wire down before night.

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Inspector Reilly and his gang resumed work at the same time at Thirty-eighth street and Third avenue, and will continue their work uptown. The job is a difficult one on secount of the great number of cross wires which cross the line at the side streets. The route which is being tollowed up by Inspector Fitzpatrick began this morning at Bleecker and Thompson streets working westward. He expects to remove 10,000 feet of wire and a large number of poles to-day.

Inspector Schwarts continues his way down Third avenue, beginning at Twenty-sixth street, where he knocked off last night. A MONTH'S WORK.

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One new route was started to-day from the Central Station of the North New York Illuminating Company, at One Hundred and Fortieth street and Rider avenue, one block west of Third avenue. Inspector Brown has charge of it. The other gang for the annexed district will be started to-morrow under the charge of Inspector Gavan.

It is estimated that there is work enough ahead for those six gangs to keep them busy for a month at least.

Commissioner Gilroy says he has the greatest difficulty in getting climbers and linemen, and though the contractors have now increased their force to fifty-three men it has been found that a great many of the men who have been hired as expert climbers have had no experience at all.

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ALMOST MET M'GINTT'S VATE.

An amusing incident occurred when the Broadway gang started out this morning at Walker street. There were two new men in the gang who had been provided with spurs and nippers, and Contractor Hess ordered one of them. McGrath, to go up the pole as soon as he could get his fixings on.

The way he started at it made all the rest of the gang roar with laughter, and people stopped in the street to witness the ludicorus performance.

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McGrath grabbed the pole with both arms, like a boy starting to climb an apple tree, and gave several frantic kicks with his legs. He managed by gigantic efforts to get up about eight feet, and then clims to the pole the very picture of despair, while the crowd yelled in derision.

"Come down there!" shouted Mr. Hess.
"I can't do it. My feet are fast."
"Well, fall down, then."
"Give me a chance, boss, for God's sake!" pleased McGrath.
Inspector Roth finally rigged up a derrick and reacted the unfortunate man.

"O'Brien made even worse work of it than McGrath, and they were both retired from the ranks of the climbers and set to work gathering up wires and poles.

LEAVING DEADLY HANGERS. LEAVING DEADLY HANGERS.

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Lots of the companies' linemen were at work this morning in various parts of the city, particularly in lower Broadway, fixing up the wires and changing contections, so as to have them in readiness when Commissioner Gilroy's men get at them.

In several places where cross wires had been cut the ends were left hanging down in the street within reacting distance of passersity. Two of the chung from a pole in Leonard street, right in front of John F. Plummer & Co.'s dry-goods house.

Both Were Found Dead.

GRAND RAFIDS, Dec. 15.-Farmer John McDonnell, of Tyrone Township, started out hunting Friday morning. His wife and James Gilmore, a farm hand, were left and James Gilmore, a farm hand, were left in the house. When the farmer returned shortly after midday he found his wife dead, strangled by a leather strap pulled tightly around her need. Gilmore's corpe was found in the woods near the house. His throat and breast were forn with buckshot. An old misket lay beside him. It is supposed Gilmore was infatuated with Mrs. McDoinell, and when she refused to profit by her husband's absence and clope, driven to desperation, he became a murderer and suicide.

A visit to the fair at the Metropoli tan Opera-House concert-room to-morrow afternoon and evening, in aid of THE EVENING WORLD'S Christmas-Tree Fund, is the correct thing. Thousands will call there.

Poor Ellen Hannigan's Awful Fate in a Brooklyn Attic.

An Old and Lonely Woman, Whose History No One Knew.

Sparks from Her Own Pipe Probably Started the Fatal Flames.

A curious crowd of men and women stood in front of the tenement-house, No. 342 South Fourth street, Brooklyn, this morning, and talked in low tones of the fearful death by fire which Mrs. Ellen Hannigan met with in her rooms on the top floor last

She was a mysterious old creature more than fifty years of age, and had for three years lived in the front room of that top

Where she came from no one knows, and she was apparently friendless. When she went there to live she had a husband, a feeble old man, but he died two

years ago, and since then Mrs. Hannigan She seemed not to work for a living, and her neighbors wondered where she got the

money for the necessaries of life.

Occasionally handsomely dressed ladies. and once in awhile gentlemen, would call

and once in awhile gentlemen, would call upon her and she gained the reputation of being a Gypsy fortune-teller. She was an inveterate smoker.

About 8 o'clock last evening smoke was discovered coming through the cracks of her room-door.

The other tenants in the house pounded at the door, but received no response.

They heard a noise as of some one falling, though, and becoming alarmed rushed into the street screaming. Fire.

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Asmall oil lamp burned dimiy on the table. The rude bed in the room was ablaze.
Water was poured into the blaze, and within five minutes the fire was out.
Then Foreman Perry found the body of the old woman, charred to a crisp, under the bed.
It is supposed that she went to bed whiffing her beloved pipe, and fell asleep with it burning; that then the bowl turned over and spilled the burning tobacco on the bed clothes, setting them on fire, and that when she was aroused and found herself on fire, Mrs. Hannigan rolled out and under the bed in an effort to extinguish the flame.

If no one comes forward to-day to claim the body, the city will inter it.
The dead woman has no children, or relative of any sort, as far as is known.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MEN SHOT.

Probably Blased Reports from Lisbon About Turmoil in Brazil.

LONDON, Dec. 16.-The Lisbon correspondent of the Times says: "Advices from Rio Janeiro up to Nov. 28 state that even tocal johrnals are threatened with suppression if they criticise or fail to approve the new regime Private let-ters brought here by passengers on vessels from Brazil paint the situation in that country as rather alarming. The navy appears to be opposed to the new Government, and many sailors have been imprisoned and shot for cheering for Dom

One report states that 150 sailors were shot, while other reports place the number at fifteen. It is alleged that espionage is rampant everywhere. The soldiery are also showing symptoms of discontent, and it is reported that they sacked the private rooms of the ex-Empress.

The citizens are recovering their mostl courage and are protesting against the military movement. The Government has become alarmed and is massing its naval forces at Bahia. The province of San Paulo has refused to accept the Governor whom the Republic has accorded to that place.

Dead in a Woman's Apartments. Miles W. Goodyear, of No. 120 West Sixty-first street, died suddenly yesterday morning at 10 o'clock in the apartments of Jennie Davenport, on the second floor of No. 56 West Twenty-eighth street. Dr. Frye, of No. 68 Madison avenue, was called, but when he reached the house Goodyear, who was undressed and in bed, was dead. Heart disease was the cause of death. Policeman Fuhalka, of Capt. Reilly's precinct, was called in and the matter was reported to the Coroner, who gave a permit at noon for the removal of the body to an undertaker's on Seventh avenue.

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Miss Davenport, who is a good-looking woman of thirty, toli the policeman that Goodycar was a friend of her brother. He called at the house about 8 o'clock, saving he was feeling ill, having been taken sick at a Turkish bath, and his friend's house was the nearest refuge. She offered him the use of her brother's room and he retired. Miss Davenport-said her brother was an engineer on the Sixth avenue Elevated road. The police say the house is a respectable one and corroborate the woman's statement as to her brother and his occupation. Miss Davenport said she knew nothing whatever about Goodycar. In the dead man's clotheg were found a gold watch and \$3.24 in money.

World's Fairs on Convas.

After completing a short but highly successful sesson of Sunday-evening lectures at the Bijou Prof. Cromwell began to negotiate for a larger howe, and as a consequence of the negotiat or secured the Fifth Avenue Theatre for a term. He made his initial appearance there last night, presenting for the list time a brand-new lecture entitled. The World's Great Fairs. The greatest expositions that the world has seen were pictured in a series of charming views and brightly described in the Professor's wittr text. The lecturer bore heavily upon the lassitude which seems to have overcome those committees into whose hands have been placed the arrangements for New York's Fair in 1892. The art reproductions introduced were, as usual, very effective. for a larger house, and as a consequence of

Buffalo's Best Elevator Burned. BUFFALO, Dec. 15.-The Exchange Ele vator, with a storage capacity of 350,000 bushels, the property of Greene & Bloomer. together with 250,000 bushels of barley, was totally destroyed by fire at about 3 o'clock this morning. The elevator was the most eligibly located and best equipped of any in Buffalo. The barley was valued at \$125,000 and the elevator at \$100,000. The amount of insurance is as yet unknown.

Inspect the \$1,000 piano and other valuable attractions at the fair in aid of THE EVEN.NG WORLD'S Christmas-Tree Fund at the Metropolitan Opera-House concert-room to-morrow atternooh and evening.

### CUT TO THE HEART.

Young William Gilbertson Found Dving in the Snow.

A Bloody Trail Led to the Assassin's Arrest.

Stabbed by Patrick White in a Jealous Quarrel.

Policeman James McCabe almost stumbled over the prostrate form of a man lying in the snow in front of 46 Watts street at 3 o'clock this morning.

The policemen thinking that he had to do with a Sunday night "drunk," turned him over on his face. Then he saw that there were splashes of red blood on his shirt.

He got a handcart and wheeled the sense-less man to the Prince street police station. Sergt, King found a deep wound under the man's heart, from which the blood had

An ambulance was summoned from St Vincent's Hospital, the surgeon of which pronounced the man's wound fatal. Sergt. King succeeded in learning that his name was William Gilbertson, a pumber, eighteen years old, and that he lived at 18

Sullivan street. His father keeps a shop at 23 Grand street Detective O'Brien was sent out on the case. Where the young man was found by the policeman there were blood stains in the

rnow, which the detective followed to the tenement-house, 54 Watts street.

The door was open and, following the tell-tale splashes, he went up to the top of the house. There was a little pool in front of a looked door.

tale splashes, he went up to the top of the house. There was a little pool in front of a locked door.

The detective rapped at the door, but on being refused admittance he put his shoulder against it and it yielded.

A mau and woman were in the room, and sticking in the wall over the washstand was an open knife. The room bore traces of a fight.

The detective placed both under arrest, and at the station-house the woman, who gave the name of Jenvic Lewis, admitted that her companion, Patrick White, had done the stabbing.

They were all three, she said, in a saloon at Grand and Thompson streets, drinking last night and went together to White's room in the Watts street house.

The young plumber was her favorite, and in a lealous rage White picked a quarrel with him, stabbed him with the knife found attoking in the wall and threw him out. He forcibly detained her from leaving.

When she had told this story the detective took White to the hospital, where he was promptly identified by the dying man.

Upon their return to the station the prisoner owned up. He said that Gilbertson and the woman invaded his room, and that the plumber tried to rob him and he stabbed him in self-defense.

OVER THE DEAD POET. The Funeral Services of Robert

Browning at Venice. VENICE, Dec. 15. The funeral service over the body of Robert Browning was held to-day in the Palagno Rezzonico. The family desired to inter the clay at Florence, but in accordance with the desire of the English people the body will be taken to London on Tuesday for interment in Westminster

The cortege started at 4 o'clock. The body had been placed on a splendid funeral barge, which was towed by a steamer of the royal navy. On the barge, as a guard of honor, were members of the Municipal Guard and firemen. The family and intimate friends followed in separate gondolas. The coffin was deposited in the central chapel of the cemetery of St. Michael, where it will remain uning its transportation to London. A memorial tablet will be placed in the façade of the Palazzo Rezzonico.

A Swindler with Fertile Brain.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]
ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Every newspaper in Rochester was an unconscious party to a unique, if not clever, swindle perpetrated here Wednesday. A harrowing story was printed giving the particulars of a fatal railway socident, alleged to have oca fatal railway socident, alleged to have occurred at the Platt street crossing of the New York Central Railway, by which a man named St. Clair, having a wife and several young children dependent upon him, had lost his life. It has now been clearly demonstrated that no such accident occurred, no such man as St. Clair, with a wife and family, lived at the address given, and that the story had been circulated by one John Waish, who had announced himself as a personal friend of St. Clair, and had taken in over a hundred dollars as sub-criptions to aid St. Clair's "starving widow and children."

The Supreme Court's Centennial. The General Committee of One Hundred of the New York State Bar Association. under whose auspices the centennial anniversary of the first sitting of the United States Supreme Court is to be held in this city, has already done much treliminary city, has already done much treliminary work. The American Bar Association and the Bar Association of New York City are coperating. The celebration will take place Tuesday, Feb. 4. In the morning public commemorative exercises will be held in the Metropolitan Opera-House. Ex-President Cleveland will preside. In the evening there will be a banquet. The following day the Bar Association of the City of New York will give a reception to the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the United States Sapreme Court. Sapreme Court.

A Stir in Keystone Politics.

impegial to the world.1
Washington, Dec. 15.—Quite a stir prevailed among the Pennsylvania Republicans yesterday and to-day, and a good ceal of gossip was exchanged about Adjt,-Gen gossip was exchanged about Addi. den. Hastings, of that State. It was reported tien. Hastings had left Harrisburg to confer with Senator Onay concerning the Gubernatorial nomination, and much importance was attached to the expected meeting of the distinguished Republicans of the heystone State. The General made himself quitapopular during the Johnstown diraster, and it is said he will make a strong canvass for the nomination if he decides to go into the fight. He has amounced that he will not stand as the caudidate of any faction in the contest.

Editor Grady Said to Be Ill. Editor Henry W. Grady, it is said, was a very sick man when he left the city last night for his home in Atlanta. He caught a cold in Boston, and besides was not very well coming up from the Bouth. He friends think he has an attack of pneumonia.

Colgate's Gifts for Women. Perfumes and totlet waters in fancy baskets. "." Young & Smylle's "Acme" Licorice Polices, All indorse them who use them. Ask druggist. "."

## **GUESTS OF GOTHAM.**

Pan-American Delegates Arrive To-Day to See New York.

A Round of Civic Hospitalities Provided for Them.

Received by Mayor Grant at the City Hall T ils Afternoon.

The "encouragement of closer commercial relations between this country and its Southern neighbors" goes bravely on, and the Pau-American Congress is incidentally enjoying itself.

The worthy object of the Congress will be pursued in this city all this week, beginning with the reception by Mayor Grant in the Governor's Room at the City Hall, a good dinner at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, followed by the enjoyment of Erminie at the Casino this evening, and a reception tendered by the ladies of Brooklyn at the Hamilton Club, Brooklyn. The wives and daughters of the members of the Congress will appear at the reception.

The delegates to the Congress left Washington this morning at 9,30 o'clock on a special train to do the trip in just six hours. A dinner at the Fifth Avenue will be served to the sixty Pan-Americans in the private dining-room at 6 o'clock this evening, the guests being driven directly from the reception by Mayor Grant in the Governor's Room, City Hall.

The line of march from the Pennsylvania railway train to the City Hall this afternoon was arranged yesterday by Supt. Murray, Inspectors Byrnes, Steers, Williams and Conlin, and was through Courtland and Greenwich streets, Park place and Post-office square to the City Hall.

To-moviow at 10 a. M., Pro-ident Simmons, of the Board of Education, will receive the guests at the Normal College. At 12, 15 President H. G. Marquand and the trustee will do the honors at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Luncheon will be had at 1.30. At 2.30 the guests will visit the Museum of Natural History, and following will be a drive through Central and Eiverside parks. In the evening there will be a ladies' reception at the Union League.

Wednesday will, be devoted to a view of the institutions of the Department of Chariries and Correction on Blackwell's Island. The party will go on the Thomas S. Brennan, under the chaperonage of President Henry H. Porter. At 7.45 in the evening there will be a reception by ex-Secretary Whitney, George G. Havens and Director E. C. Stauton at the Metropolitan Opera-House, and the guests will enjoy. 'Il Trovatore.'

Thursday there will be a drive across Brooklyn Bridge, a visit to she paines of the Equitable Insurance Company and recention by President H. B. Hyde and the officers, a reception by President W. L. Bull and the Governing Committee at the Stock Exchange at 2 o'clock and Chamber of Commerce at 3, with a reception by President C. S. Smith and the merchants. After dinner the visitors will go to the armony of the Seventh Regiment and there they will be received by Col. Appleton and the officers.

Friday will open with a reception at the Seventh Regiment and there they will be received by Col. Appleton and the merchants. After dinner the visitors at the Sixty-seventh street police station, and from there they will v. sit the Seventh Regiment and there they will be received by Col. Appleton and the peripade. At 11, 45 Commissioner J. B. Voorhis will meet the visitors at the Sixty-seventh street police station, and from there they will v. sit the Seventh Regiment and there they will v. sit the guest by the Spanish-A ray, Inspectors Byrnes, Steers, Williams and Conlin, and was through Courtland

# WORLD'S FAIR SITE

Congress's Decision Anxiously Awaited by All.

The World's Fair Guarantee Fund begins this week with a total sum of \$5,234,878. received from all sources. Many of the subscription books have not yet been sent to the Chamber of Commerce, so that Scoretary Wilson's official figures do not quite

The seeming discrepancy will soon be remedied, however, and when the alphabetical list is revised and corrected the totals

will agree. Mayor Grant's third appeal for funds is bearing fruit, slowly but steadily, and subscription blanks are being received, accom-

panied by large and small sums.

As the days roll by interest centres more and more on Congress, and the relection of the site is the main topic of conversation between those who are interested in the Ex-

between those who are interested in the Expositior.

The majority, of course, say that New York is the only place at which the Fair can be head, while others shake their heads sagely, and while admit ing that New York a advantages are manifold they claim that Chicago it uniting in some good licks, by the presence of that city's delegation in Washington.

The absence of many rich men's names from the list of subscribers is severely commented upon, while others asy that constructional the description of active workers should be followed and a hand of active workers should be followed and a hand of active workers should be betton-hord and thicago given a hard chase to head and thicago given a hard chase to held and thicago given a hard chase to held and thicago given a hard chase to held in that there is no used of such a proceeding. When the troper time comes the claims of New York will be presented in a digorified way accountanted fund a nearly a cooling that amount before Congress is ready to work.

W. J. Arkell, who has first returned from to work.
W. J. Arhell, who has first returned from
Chicago, gives a humorous account of what
that city's idea is in regard to a World's

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They I ave apportioned 1,200 acres of land for Chicago exhibits alone, and instead of an international exposition the World's Fair, if field in that city, will be a hung Chicago circus, the langhing stock of foreign nations.

Whitelaw Peid, Minister to France, has monistally communicated with representatives of other nations in France, all of whom have promised that their exhibits will reach a scale unsurpressed at any previous axpos-

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### MEN'S OVERCOATS.

A Good Warm Overcoat for \$2. During the great clothing sale now going on at the London and Liverpool Clothing Company the above will be open until 10 p. M. every evening this week. 86 and 88 Bowers. \*\*\*

## NO VERDICT.

The Cronin Jury Had Nothing to Communicate This Morning.

Though, According to Madam Rumor, They Might Have Said Much.

Interesting Storles Thick and Including that of a Jury-Room Row

[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.] CHICAGO, Dec. 16. - Judge McConnell arrived at the Criminal Court at 10 o'clock

He was informed by Foreman Clark, of the Cronin Jury, that they had nothing to communicate. The court then adjourned until 2 this afternoon.

RUMOR'S WORK KEPT UP. The Busy Dame Many Times Dis-

posed of the Defendants. SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD. CHICAGO, Dec. 14.-At 9 o'clock this morning, the Cronin Jury was still in seclu-

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morning, the Cronin Jury was still in seciusion, and nothing was known of its state of mind to anybody outside the room in which the twelve men had spent the long hours since they retired from this courtroom on Friday.

Dame Bumor had, of course, kept up the busy wagging of her tongue, the fact that none of her stories had been confirmed not seeming to discourage the gossipy lady in the locast.

She had from time to time reiterated her story that Coughlin, Burke and O'Sullivan were to hang; she had varied this by giving Couchlin the noose and awarding lise terms of impresonment to the other two, and she had disposed of all five prisoners by a late report that the three already memod would hang, that Beggs would go to prison for life and that Kunze would get twenty-five years. This last report found its way into the morning paper extras, in this city, and was declared to be on semi-official authority.

Juror Culver, of Evanston, who was said to be the recalcitrant, standing out in disagreement with the other eleven, has been dished up in a number of pleasant ways by the local press.

He has been accused of being "fixed," has been styled a religious crank, and has figured as the under man in the story of a jury-room fight.

This latter little tale related that another juryman named Marlowe, tired of the long detention and dispute, threw Culver down and was in the act of choking him when the other jurors interfered.

It was cheerfully added that Culver immediately prayed for his assainan and that the latter shortly afterwards appoingized.

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AMERICA AT THE VATICAN.

Mgr. Satolli Makes a Surprising Report to the Pope.

LONDON, Dec. 16. - The Chronicte's Home correspondent says Mgr. Satolli, in a long interview with the Pope, gave an account of the good reception accorded him in America. He said he found the civil authorities willing to grant full liberty to Catholicism. and expressed his belief that the Washington Government is favorable to accrediting a diplomatic representative to the Vatican.

### BENEFIT FOR SICK FIREMEN.

Entertainments to Endow a Hospital Room for the Sick and Injured.

A plan is now on foot to endow a permarantroom in one of our best hospitals, to be set apart forever for the free use of sick and injured firemen.

In aid of this praiseworthy project, benefit entertainments are to be given to-morro entertainments are to be given to-morrow evening and Saturday evening at the Metropolitan Opera House, under the management of H. C. Miner. There are large numbers of leading stage favorites on the list of volunteers, and the list of patrons comprises some on the best known New Yorkers.

T. ckets are selling rapidly, and the benefits promise to be among the most successful of the season.

Horsewhipped by Marked Men.

[STECIAL TO THE WORLD.]
HOLYOKE, Col., Dec. 15.—Seven masked men went to Lawyer John S. Bennett's office last Saturday midnight, : eized him when he opened the door and, throwing a blanket over him, threw him into a wagon, which was then driven off. W. D. Keisey, snother lawyer, was walking bome about the same time, and he was also threws; into the wagon beside Bennett. After driving to a lonely part of the town the men were ordered from the wagon and were then given an unmerciful horsewhipping, one man paying the whip while the others held the victims. The clothing was form off both before the whipping. Not until the two nen were simest unconscious that the castigation cases, and then they were warned to leave the country or the maintainment would be repeated. Their tormentors then drove away, and the bleeling victims made their way, lack to town, where their wounds were dressed. The masked men gave to reasons or expansations beside Bennett. After driving to a lonely masked their rave to reasons or expansions not the cultaceous treatment and left no possible case to their identity.

It is believed that the difficulty grew out of the election contests now remaining in the County Court and the indignation meetings lately held here. laters held here.

Papers have been obtained from the proper courts and arrests will procably be made to-

Justice Fuller as an Orator. (SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The opening of

the Lincoln Music Hall next Friday will be n emorable from the fact that Chief-Justice Fuller will deliver the dedicatory address. The Chief-Justice, whose oration at the The Chief-Justice, whose oration at the Washington Centeunial ceremonies in Congress last week is still the topic of commendation, has consented to be the orator at the opening of the hall, and his address will be an eloquent tribute to music and art. The event will be under the special patronage of Mrs. Levi P. Morton, Mrs. James G. Blaine, Mrs. Melville Weston Fuller, Mrs. Lucus Tuckerman, Mrs. John Chandler Bancroft and Mrs. Jeannette M. Thurber.

## JOHN L. IN TOWN.

The Big Fellow Will Linger a Week Among Gothamites.

He Has Said He Would Fight Jackson and "That Goes."

Kilrain's Conviction of Assault Rather Puzzles the Champion.

John L. Sullivan is in town. He came in on the 6 o'clock train this morning, and Joe and Jim Lannon were

with him. Jimmy Wakely met the big fellow and conducted him to his hottelry at the corner of Forty-second street and Sixth avenue, where

Sullivan left his gripsack. Then the champion pugilist took a Sixth Avenue "L" train, alighted at Eighth street, and was soon being soaped and kneaded by an attendant at a Turkish and Russian bathing establishment in Lafayette

When ar Eventus World reporter arrived at the baths the big fellow was seated in the tonsor al department of the institution. He was in a chair and a barber was yanking his head from side to side and clipping hair here and there seemingly without a

tremor of fear. Sullivan was enveloped in a heavy blanket. He had just come out of the bath and its beneficial effect was plainly seen in the

ruddy glow of health that suffused his skin.

The reporter dropped into a chair alongside the champion, to be recognized and
greeted with a guiff "Hello, young fellow."

"Hello, "said the reporter, meekly.

"I supposed some of you fellows would
nail me here," the big fellow continued,
"and I don't see how I am going to get
awar." and I don't see how I am going to get away.

Sullivan smiled pleasantly, and was going to talk further when the barber slapped a lot of lather in the vicinity of his mouth, and he shut up.

Whien the shaving operation was concluded Sullivan stood up and prepared to be

interviewed.

"I have come on to give a show with Joe I ennon here," said he, pointing to the latter gentleman, who stood near by, "at Miner's Theatre, and I'm only going to stay a week" week."
'' Of course you've heard of Kilrain's conviction ?"

"Yes; but I don't ree how they make out a case of assault and battery against him when they indicted me for prize rightig."

"Kliram's friends advise him to stay." "Kirain's friends advise him to stay," said the reporter.
"Well, he can stay if he wants to. I wouldn't tay a minute in the blanked hole if i could help it. I expect my lawyer to get me off with a fine. I'd just as hef die as go down to that place again."
"How about your fight with Jackson? Have any arrangements been made yet?"
"No, nor there won't be any nutil I get my head out of the lion's mouth, "said John, referring to his prospective trial in Mississipp.

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'Int have received a good many offers from dispent clubs, haven't you?"

Not one.

'But haven't you received despatches from the Sainta Cruz, California, San Joec, hos Angeles and other clubs, containing offers of from \$10,000 to \$50,000 for the fight?"

I have not. The could despatch I re-"No. I have not. The only despatch I re-ceived was from President Fulda, of the California Athletic Club, who made no offer, but raid that he would communicate by letter. I haven't heard further from him yet."

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"You will fight Jackson, won't you?"

"I gave my word that I would, and that goes," said Sullivan emphatically.

"What do you think of Jackson?"

"I have never seen him, but he is very clever, I should indge, from the reports."

"You think you can do him, of course?"

"Well," I'll try," the champion said, stretching out his big arms as though they were itching for the chance. "If I fight him, "he continued, "It will have to be for big money; \$10,000 won't tempt me."

"Did you think Jackson could whip Jem Smith?" es. Smith ain't knee high, as far as

'Yes, Smith ain't thee high and histing goes.'

The bir fellow seemed to be in the pink of condition, his fiesh being hard and firm and his stomach in excellent shape.

'I'm not drinking now," he said.

'That's straight.'

Then he wrapped his robe around him and strole away to the lounging room.

Sullivan said he didn't know where he'd stay while in the city. He will go back to Boston immediately after his week's work.

Another Bad Man and His Pistol

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]
ELMIRA, Dec. 16.—The capture of Frank Griffin, who shot Fred. Bechtel when he and four others were robbing Bechtel's store at Scotia, across the river from Echenectady, at Scotia, across the river from Schenectady, will probably break up one of the worst gangs of deep radoes in the country. It was in this city that Griffin met Henry Myers, with whom he did five years in Anburn prison for attempting to rob the Second National Bank of this city. Griffin and Myers escaped by sawing the bars of their cells. They were recaptured and sent to Auburn. The crime for when he was sent up was an attempt to kill a man with a cheese knife. At one time he attempted to kill L. D. Little, deputy sheriff, and another time attempted to murder a chief of police. Bethe will probably die. Griffin was shot by an officer who pursued him.

A Big Coal-Stealing Gang.

[SPECIAL TO THE WOBLD. | HELFNA, Mont., Dec. 16. - A warrant has been issue for Ed I ennell, a switchman on the Northern Pacific road, on a charge of laterny. It is said that he is only one of a hand of men organized to steal coal from the road and that several prominent coal dealers of this city and engineers and fire-men of the No: there l'actic are also impli-cated.

A Cowboy's Nefarious Scheme.

(FEGIAL TO THE WORLD.)
CINCINNATI, Dec. 16. - Ida Moloney, aged fitteer, and Anna Lillis, aged fourteen, were arce-ted here Thursday evening for running away from home. The girls were ranning away from home. The gris were about to join "Broncho John's" cowboys, who were billed at a the nureum at week. They said that the conquity had rigned contracts with nearly thirty young gits of the city to travel with them.

Suicide After Failure in Love.

(SPICIAL TO THE WORLD.)
ROCKESIER, N. Y., Dec. 16. -Young Isanc Lake, of Castile, because a young woman had corned his love, went to his father's barn this alternoon, tied a string to the trugger of his shot-gun, placed the muzzle to his temple and touched off the gun with his foot. He died at once, the left side of his face being blown away.

BOYS' OVERCOATS.

A Suit and Overcoat for One Dollar. During the great clothing sale now going on at the London and Liverpool Clothing Company the store will be open until 10 z. z. z. every evening this week. \*\*\*

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2 O'CLOCK.

# TO DIE BY VOLTS.

Jugigo, the Japanese Murderer. Coomed to Electrical Death.

Dramatic Scene in the Court of Oyer and Terminer.

The Prisoner, in His Own Tongue. Repeats His Plea of Solf-Defense.

Sentenced by Judge Brady to Die During the Week Beginning Feb. 8.

Smiling in a pleasant though somewhat bewildered fashion, Schihiok Jugigo, the first Japanese murderer ever known in this State, sat in the Court of Oyer and Terminer this morning, awaiting the arrival of Judge Brady, who was to sentence him to death. Jugigo is tall and sturdily built, with raven-black hair, black eyes, chin whiskers and mustache.

He seemed to have no idea that he stood in the shadow of death to-day, and laughed merrily at those around him, although he could only imperfectly understand what they had to say. On the entrance of Lawyer Heintzleman,

who defended him on his trial for the mur-

der of Mura Commi. or Coutlani, in a sailor's boarding house at 84 James street, Nov. 11, last. Jugigo arose from his chair and salasmed three times, bowing nearly to the

11, last. Jugigo arose from his chair and salasmed three times, bowing nearly to the floor each time.

The unfortunate "Jap" recemed to think that the smooth-faced, beyish-looking lawyer had done wonders for him.

In fact Jugigo did not seem to realize what was going on about him nor what he was in court for at all.

Judge Brady entered the court-room at 11.15 ×. x. Almost immediately Jugigo was arrained for sentence.

Col. Fellows moved for judgment, saying that the prisoner had been found guilty Deo. 5 of murder in the first degree, and asked that the sentence prescribed by law be pronounced upon him.

Through an interpreter Jugigo was asked what he had to say, if anything, why such sentence should not be passed.

The silence in the court-room was intense as Jugigo told the interpreter that he did have something to say if he was going to be punished by death.

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"Ask him what he has to say," said Judge Brady.
Slowly, sadly, in his native tongue, with downcast eyes and relationing cheeks, the prisoner said to the internetor:

"I did not kill the man deliberately. He was drunk and I was drunk. He came at me with a knife and I detended myself.
Another thing: The three witnesses against me were false witnesses. They were not the ones who were present when I killed the man."

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His words ceased, and the interpreter repeated this to the Judge, and then Jugigo added:

"If this Court has no sympathy with me, I must appeal to the highest court, and if I can do nothing there I can die."

Lawyer Heintzlemen then moved for an arrest of judgment, and a new trial, which was denied.

The lawyer claimed that the sentence of death could not be pronounced because there was at present no lawful means of indicting the death penalty in the State.

All his objections were overruled. He will appeal the case.

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Judge Brady said the prisoner was not deserving of any consideration, as he had committed wilful, ieliberate murder.

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"You are arraigned for the highest offense known to the iaw. The best of counsel was assigned to you, and the attention of the Consul of your native country was called to your case. You have been convicted of murder in the first degree, and I warn you that you need not expect any clemency in your case, as there are no extenuating circumstances.

"The sentence of the Court is that you be put to death according to law some day during the week beginning Feb. 3, 1890, and may God have mercy on your roul."

The sclemn tones of the Judge visibly affected many of those present, and there was a great deal of coughing and wiping of eyes when he had finished.

Judge Braity made no mention of electricity in passing sentence. If the electric death is declared legal by the Court of Appeals Juggo will die by that means, if not then in any manner which the law may prescribe.

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To-morrow Jugico will be taken to Sing Sing, where he will eventually be executed. To Skim Over the Ice.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.] NEWBURG, N. Y., Dec. 16,-G. A. Avery. James S. Taylor and Charles H. Donoghue, Speed Committee of the National Skating Association, have decided to hold the races in two days, instead of one, as heretofore. in two days, instead of one, as herricore. The dates elected, ice and weather permitting, will be Friday and Saturday, Jan. 17 and 18. The quarter and five mile races will be held on Friday over the course at Muchattoes Lake. The one-mile straightaway will take place on the Hudson River Saturday morning, and the ten-mile race on the lake in the afternoon. It is expected that several Canadian skaters will enter the contest.

Killed for Insulting a Woman,

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]
STAREF, Fls., Dec. 10. - Mayor Witkouski of this place was shot and killed in his office last Wedresday by A. B. Thrasher, a wellknown young lawyer. It is understood that the murder was the result of an insuit Witkonski offered to Mrs. Annie Brown, a woman in his employ, but the details are still unknown.

Eueston Wins His Libel Suit.

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE EVENING WORLD.)
LONDON, Dec. 16.—The suit for libe brought by the Earl of Eucston against Mr. Parke, editor of the North London Press for an article charging that the Earl was implicated in the "West End scandal" was brought to a close this morning, the Grand Jury finding a true bill against Mr. Parke,

Sudden Death of Pastor Fox. Rev. Frederick Fox, pastor of the Martha Memorial Reformed Church, Fifty-second street, near Ninth avenue, died suddenly at his home 409 West Forty-seventh street this morning. He leaves a widow.